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SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 11, 1848.

William Buckminster, Editor.

EIGHTH AGRICULTURAL MEETING.

The subject for this evening was, "The Grasses, modes of culture, &c." Hon. Mr. Calhoun in the chair.

Mr. W. Buckminster made some general remarks on the grasses most usually cultivated in New England, and hoped some of the members would tell what is done in any quarter to encourage the spread of the best kinds of wild or meadow grasses—such as fowl meadow and blue joint.

W. Parker, Esq. of Sudbury, said the blue joint grass had come in on the banks of the Sudbury river. He thought it a very good grass; it does not spread, however, and is confined to the banks of the river. Mr. P. spoke of the management of an old farmer, a neighbor of his, who had a large farm but who never sowed any kind of grass seed on laying his land down. All his hay was poor but a ton or two for the horse. Mr. P. said the old farmer did not eat so much from fifty acres as he does from four acres of his made land. He values his re-claimed meadow as high as \$200 an acre, and says the net income from it will pay the interest of that sum.

Hon. Mr. Clark, of Walpole, said he had seen fowl meadow grass as high as his shoulders. He did not state that any effort had been made to spread this grass. As to reclaimed meadow lands, much improvement had been made within a few years. He had brought some of his low bog land, that formerly produced nothing of value, to bear nearly five tons to the acre. He lacked only thirty-two pounds of it. He eat two crops, and he gave the hay a three day's running.

He found hedges and red top the most suitable kinds for such land. He first drives his meadow. Nearly all our farms have lands of this kind that may be easily brought to bear good grasses.

When he can plough he plants potatoes, digs them in September, and then sows down—the earlier in September the better. Formerly he threw ditch mud to the top, but he now adopts the method of the Mass. Ploughman, and places gravelly loam on the surface, then his compost manure. When he sows at this season and dresses his land well, the grass is never winter killed.

Mr. Parker again spoke, he said his reclaimed meadow had now become so hard as to bear a team. Draining is necessary, but that is easily done, for he finds water is willing to run down hill when there is nothing to obstruct it.

M. S. Rice, Esq., of Newton, spoke of the grass crop of New England as the most important of any. As to the Fowl meadow his father had land in Framingham that formerly bore much of it. Yet it seems to be a transient grass; it comes and goes at pleasure. If we could get in Fowl meadow the remains of the Hon. J. Q. Adams. The respect paid to his remains in Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York, and by citizens of smaller towns intermediate from Washington, has been spontaneous and general. And here in his native State there will no doubt be as much feeling manifested as in any portion of our country.

We have learned that minute guns were to be fired yesterday during the progress of the funeral procession, the bells to be tolled, and the flags to be hung at half mast; and the stores on the line of the procession were to be closed.

Thirteen Bills were ordered to be engrossed.

In THE HOUSE. A communication was received from the Secretary transmitting the Annual Reports of the County Attorneys. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

The order of the day were taken up and the debate was referred to the competency of witness in certain cases.

The report it is inexpedient to legislate concerning the issue of duplicate applications in certain cases by Insurance Companies, was accordingly voted.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVAL OF THE BRITANNIA.

The Steamship Britannia arrived here on Saturday morning last, making her passage in twenty and a half days from Liverpool. She brought 46 passengers. We copy extracts, &c., from her papers.

The news is more important than was anticipated.

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Sale per lb 4 mos. For Beef the demand
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There has been a fair demand for box So-
dles reach about 1000. Cuts brown and
green, these having been but a few arrivals
at 50¢ per lb. to 60¢ per lb. and 120¢ per
dozen on private terms.

IRON SALES THIS WEEK
By Horatio Harris & Co.,
1475 long 1000 cwtches St Domingo 18s
Cuts leaf 45 mld. \$7 37 17 50 per 100
lbs Western pens \$1 15 per cwt—leis
backs white 56 1/2 58c; 290 do mixed 56c

[By John Tyler.]

Iron, brown \$6 61 17 50; 50 lbs do
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[By E. F. White.]

—Built on the Merriam's or white oak

leis Western white and yellow 56 1/2 57 50c
angled 37 40 per 100 per cu ft;

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IRON AND GRAIN.

March 6, 24 P. M. Breadstuffs all

with a good demand.

The receipts

of no essential effect on prices.

the iron has been selling pretty freely at
hour 6:25; St Louis 6:25, Michigan 6:25a

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THE POETS' CORNER.

ALL'S FOR THE BEST.

BY MARTIN F. TUOPER.

All's for the best; be sanguine and cheerful;
Tumble and sorrow are friends in disguise;
Nothing but folly goes fatigued and fearful;
Courage forever is happy and wise;
All's for the best,—if a man would but know it;
Providence wisest us all to be blest;
This is no dream of the punit or poet;
Heaven is gracious, and—All's for the best!

All's for the best! set this on your standard,
Soldier of sadness, or pilgrim of love,
Who to the shores of Despair may have strayed;
A wayworn swallow, or heartstricken dove;
All's for the best!—be a man but confiding,
Providence tenderly governs the rest,
And the frail bark of His creature is guiding;
Wisely and warily, all for the best.

All's for the best! these fling away terror,
Meet all your fears and your foes in the van,
And in the midst of your dangers or errors;
Take it like a child, while you strive like a man;
All's for the best!—unbiased, unbounded;
Providence reigns from the East to the West;
And by both wisdom and mercy surrounded,
Hope and be happy that All's for the best.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

Mrs. Pelby Smith's Select Party.

BY MRS. A. M. F. ANNAN.

"Mrs. Goldsborough's party is to-night, is it not?" said Mr. Pelby Smith to his wife; "are we going, my dear?"

"I don't see how we are to get on any longer without giving one ourselves."

"Why, so my dear! We cannot afford to give a party, and that will be an apology all-sufficient to a woman of Cousin Sabina's sense."

"Cousin Sabina!" exclaimed Mrs. Smith; "as if I, or any one else, ever thought of going to the trouble of a party for a plain old maid, like myself."

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"I don't see why not make up our minds to stay at home; I am rather."

"But we would not, Mr. Smith. I shall go to parties as long as possible. My duty to my children requires it."

Mr. Smith opened his eyes as wide as his timidity would let him.

"My duty to my children, I repeat," pursued she with energy; "they will have to be introduced to society."

"Not even in eight years yet, any of them," interrupted Mr. Smith.

"Sooner or later," continued the lady; "and how is that to be done unless I keep the fastings which I have—!—with trouble enough, as I suppose. I don't give up parties, I may fall into the trap, but tune and distinction can only last a while, and then reappears, as ever, but that ends with Frank."

"It is only the expense that I object to, my dear; but my business is so limited that it is impossible for us to live in any other than a plain, quiet way. The cost of a party would be a serious inconvenience to me."

"The advantages will be of greater consequence than the sacrifices," returned the lady, softening as she saw her husband yielding; "the loss will not make up to you through an absence of friends. Party-giving people are always popular."

Mr. Smith saw that his wife was determined to carry her point, which was nothing new. He had learned to submit, and to submit in silence; so, after sitting moodily for a few minutes, he took up his hat to go to his place of business.

"I know, my dear," said Mrs. Smith smoothly, "that you would soon see the merits in a proper light; and so, when Mrs. Goldsborough's party is to-night, cousin Sabina, for you, I can go with some satisfaction now that I have a prospect of soon being on equal terms with my entertainers."

Mrs. Smith walked round her two small and by no means elegant rooms, reassuring herself as to the capabilities of her lamps, girandoles and candlesticks, for she had mentally gone through all her arrangements long before; the act of preparation was now over.

Her last step toward the understanding of any important project. She was joined by the object of some of her recent remarks, Miss Sabina Ineldon, a cousin of Mr. Smith's, who, until within a few days, had been a stranger to her. She was a plainly dressed person of middle age, with an agreeable though not striking countenance, and unobtrusive, lady-like manners.

"I suppose that to Mrs. Goldsborough's party, cousin Sabina," said Mrs. Smith; "I have no doubt she would have an invitation had she known I had a friend visiting me."

"Not improbable. I do not, however, feel much inclination just now to go to a party. Had it not been for that, I should have sent my card to Mrs. Goldsborough after my arrival. I met her in the springs last summer, and received a much welcome round of visits."

"Mrs. Goldsborough is a delicate woman—very much disposed to be civil to every one," said Mrs. Smith; "by the by," she added, "Pelby and I have it in contemplation to give a large party ourselves."

"Indeed! I thought you were not party-giving people; cousin Pelby assured me so."

"And never would it be if Pelby Smith had his own way. To be sure we are not in circumstances to be much but for the sake of a finer place in society, I am always willing to strain a point. As to Pelby, he has so little spirit that he would as soon be at the bottom of the social ladder as at the top. I can speak of it without improvidence to you, as you are his relation, not mine. He has been a perpetual drag and drawback upon me; but, notwithstanding, I have accomplished a great deal. Five or six years ago, we were invited to a dinner party with the Goldsboroughs, and the Pendletons, and the Longsares, and the Van Polts, and that set, and now I visit most of them, and receive invitations to all their general parties. I have always felt ashamed of not having entertained them in return, and now I am resolved to do so, as a favorable opportunity offers of doing it advantageously. I mean the coming out of Mrs. Goldsborough. Mrs. Goldsborough's only daughter, is it not?—she will be very well satisfied, I dare say, if I send her a small engagement card, and that must understand, Cousin Sabina that as this is my first party, I mean to keep it very select."

Mrs. Smith smiled in conscious superiority. "Ah, Cousin Sabina!" said she, "you are very unsophisticated. Don't you know that a party goes off with much more *esprit* for being associated with people of importance. Now, just as the *esprit* of a party is of importance, and the fashion and fortune of a family, is to be the *esprit* of the season, and a party given for her must necessarily make a sensation. All her friends, and they are at the head of society, will

attend on her account, if for nothing else, and everybody else will be glad to go where they can."

Then the Pendletons, the Longsares, and the Van Polts, and all the other ladies in her parties—so it is understood—and it will be worth an effort to make mine one of the series."

A faint expression of sarcastic humor passed over the placid countenance of Miss Ineldon, but she made no comment.

Mrs. Pelby Smith entered the brilliant rooms of Mrs. Goldsborough with night with an effort of spirit, seeing in herself the future hostess of the party. She has a natural talent for all sorts of mimicry, and this night she was dressed out of standing in a corner, listening with unctuous deference or sympathy to any one who chanced to come against her, as was her wont, proffering her fan, or her essence-bottle, or in some quiet way ministering to their egotism, she now stepped freely upon the field of action, nodding and smiling at the young men to whom she might have been at some time interested; who will be the greatest service to me. It gave a great deal to make every thing except the conference at home; and I shall go at once and ask Mrs. Crabbie if she will prepare the materials for my fruit-cake, and mix it up."

"You have said nothing about your Aunt Tomkins, of whom Cousin Pelby has talked to me, and of the different members of her family—they are to have invitations, of course!" suggested Miss Ineldon.

"Now, Cousin Sabina, I shall attend to it myself. I mean to you need not mind;" and Mrs. Smith hurried to the door, beginning to perceive something she would rather escape in the countenance and interrogatories of Cousin Sabina. "Please me! I have said nothing about your Aunt Tomkins, of whom Cousin Pelby has talked to me, and of the different members of her family—they are to have invitations, of course!" suggested Miss Ineldon.

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"It is Miss Debby Coggins, ma'am," said Mrs. Smith, "and she is very particular." "How do me out of a difficulty; I have no one to remain on duty in the supper-room, and there certainly ought to be some one to sit there and see that nothing is disturbed—for there is a quantity of silver there, mostly borrowed, and with so many strange servants about, I feel uneasy to leave a party."

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"I don't see why not make up our minds to stay at home; I am rather."

"But we would not, Mr. Smith. I shall go to parties as long as possible. My duty to my children requires it."

Mr. Smith opened his eyes as wide as his timidity would let him.

"My duty to my children, I repeat," pursued she with energy; "they will have to be introduced to society."

"Not even in eight years yet, any of them," interrupted Mr. Smith.

"Sooner or later," continued the lady; "and how is that to be done unless I keep the fastings which I have—!—with trouble enough, as I suppose. I don't give up parties, I may fall into the trap, but tune and distinction can only last a while, and then reappears, as ever, but that ends with Frank."

"It is only the expense that I object to, my dear; but my business is so limited that it is impossible for us to live in any other than a plain, quiet way. The cost of a party would be a serious inconvenience to me."

"The advantages will be of greater consequence than the sacrifices," returned the lady, softening as she saw her husband yielding; "the loss will not make up to you through an absence of friends. Party-giving people are always popular."

Mr. Smith saw that his wife was determined to carry her point, which was nothing new. He had learned to submit, and to submit in silence; so, after sitting moodily for a few minutes, he took up his hat to go to his place of business.

"I know, my dear," said Mrs. Smith smoothly, "that you would soon see the merits in a proper light; and so, when Mrs. Goldsborough's party is to-night, cousin Sabina, for you, I can go with some satisfaction now that I have a prospect of soon being on equal terms with my entertainers."

Mrs. Smith walked round her two small and by no means elegant rooms, reassuring herself as to the capabilities of her lamps, girandoles and candlesticks, for she had mentally gone through all her arrangements long before; the act of preparation was now over.

Her last step toward the understanding of any important project. She was joined by the object of some of her recent remarks, Miss Sabina Ineldon, a cousin of Mr. Smith's, who, until within a few days, had been a stranger to her. She was a plainly dressed person of middle age, with an agreeable though not striking countenance, and unobtrusive, lady-like manners.

"I suppose that to Mrs. Goldsborough's party, cousin Sabina," said Mrs. Smith; "I have no doubt she would have an invitation had she known I had a friend visiting me."

"Not improbable. I do not, however, feel much inclination just now to go to a party. Had it not been for that, I should have sent my card to Mrs. Goldsborough after my arrival. I met her in the springs last summer, and received a much welcome round of visits."

"Mrs. Goldsborough is a delicate woman—very much disposed to be civil to every one," said Mrs. Smith; "by the by," she added, "Pelby and I have it in contemplation to give a large party ourselves."

"Indeed! I thought you were not party-giving people; cousin Pelby assured me so."

"And never would it be if Pelby Smith had his own way. To be sure we are not in circumstances to be much but for the sake of a finer place in society, I am always willing to strain a point. As to Pelby, he has so little spirit that he would as soon be at the bottom of the social ladder as at the top. I can speak of it without improvidence to you, as you are his relation, not mine. He has been a perpetual drag and drawback upon me; but, notwithstanding, I have accomplished a great deal. Five or six years ago, we were invited to a dinner party with the Goldsboroughs, and the Pendletons, and the Longsares, and the Van Polts, and that set, and now I visit most of them, and receive invitations to all their general parties. I have always felt ashamed of not having entertained them in return, and now I am resolved to do so, as a favorable opportunity offers of doing it advantageously. I mean the coming out of Mrs. Goldsborough. Mrs. Goldsborough's only daughter, is it not?—she will be very well satisfied, I dare say, if I send her a small engagement card, and that must understand, Cousin Sabina that as this is my first party, I mean to keep it very select."

Mrs. Smith smiled in conscious superiority. "Ah, Cousin Sabina!" said she, "you are very unsophisticated. Don't you know that a party goes off with much more *esprit* for being associated with people of importance. Now, just as the *esprit* of a party is of importance, and the fashion and fortune of a family, is to be the *esprit* of the season, and a party given for her must necessarily make a sensation. All her friends, and they are at the head of society, will

attend on her account, if for nothing else, and everybody else will be glad to go where they can."

Then the Pendletons, the Longsares, and the Van Polts, and all the other ladies in her parties—so it is understood—and it will be worth an effort to make mine one of the series."

A faint expression of sarcastic humor passed over the placid countenance of Miss Ineldon, but she made no comment.

Mrs. Pelby Smith entered the brilliant rooms of Mrs. Goldsborough with night with an effort of spirit, seeing in herself the future hostess of the party. She has a natural talent for all sorts of mimicry, and this night she was dressed out of standing in a corner, listening with unctuous deference or sympathy to any one who chanced to come against her, as was her wont, proffering her fan, or her essence-bottle, or in some quiet way ministering to their egotism, she now stepped freely upon the field of action, nodding and smiling at the young men to whom she might have been at some time interested; who will be the greatest service to me. It gave a great deal to make every thing except the conference at home; and I shall go at once and ask Mrs. Crabbie if she will prepare the materials for my fruit-cake, and mix it up."

"You have said nothing about your Aunt Tomkins, of whom Cousin Pelby has talked to me, and Mrs. Crabbie makes the most beautiful jellies and the most delicious Charlotte Russe I ever tasted. She has a natural talent for all sorts of mimicry, and this night she was dressed out of standing in a corner, listening with unctuous deference or sympathy to any one who chanced to come against her, as was her wont, proffering her fan, or her essence-bottle, or in some quiet way ministering to their egotism, she now stepped freely upon the field of action, nodding and smiling at the young men to whom she might have been at some time interested; who will be the greatest service to me. It gave a great deal to make every thing except the conference at home; and I shall go at once and ask Mrs. Crabbie if she will prepare the materials for my fruit-cake, and mix it up."

"Peculiarly so in her manners—but what am I to do? I must have persons to assist me; and Mrs. Crabbie makes the most beautiful jellies and the most delicious Charlotte Russe I ever tasted. She has a natural talent for all sorts of mimicry, and this night she was dressed out of standing in a corner, listening with unctuous deference or sympathy to any one who chanced to come against her, as was her wont, proffering her fan, or her essence-bottle, or in some quiet way ministering to their egotism, she now stepped freely upon the field of action, nodding and smiling at the young men to whom she might have been at some time interested; who will be the greatest service to me. It gave a great deal to make every thing except the conference at home; and I shall go at once and ask Mrs. Crabbie if she will prepare the materials for my fruit-cake, and mix it up."

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